## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1357**

## By Borchert

A RESOLUTION to recognize Norma Florence on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Norma Florence is one such estimable person who, having served with distinction throughout her thirty-year tenure with First Bank, took a much deserved retirement in July of 2008; and

WHEREAS, throughout her illustrious career in the banking industry, Ms. Florence consistently served with acumen and alacrity, offering her tireless work ethic, boundless enthusiasm, and uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life for three decades; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 1940, Norma Florence was born to Clyde and Louella Pierce, and she is the sister of Ray Pierce; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Florence was joined in holy matrimony with the Emory C. Florence, Jr., on October 28, 1958; and

WHEREAS, she is a loyal and active member of the First United Methodist Church in Camden; and

WHEREAS, her many professional and personal accomplishments aside, Ms. Florence is perhaps most grateful for the love and companionship she shares with her husband, and she is the devoted mother and mother-in-law of Emory C. III and Gina Florence and Mark and Millette Florence, and the doting grandmother of Hannah Florence Coffman, Nick Florence, Sara Florence, and Ashley Florence; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Florence exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her venerable career, Norma Florence has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her peers and superiors alike; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Norma Florence our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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